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COMMUNICATION

Assistant Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

A response to the Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application, mailed January 28, 2002, was timely filed on June 7, 2002. Enclosed are the original signatures of the inventors on the executed Declaration For Patent Application And Power of Attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY

Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply mailed July 12, 2002. The Notice of Incomplete Reply indicates that the Oath or Declaration submitted with the application is unsigned. Applicants submit that a copy of the signed Declaration was submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office by Express Mail on June 6, 2002. Applicants enclose a copy of the return receipt postcard received from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, a copy of the Express Mail label, a copy of the original response, and a copy of the signed Declaration submitted therewith.

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Also enclosed is a copy of the Communication filed July 15, 2002 enclosing the Declaration for Patent Application and Power of Attorney containing the original signatures of the inventors.

In view of the remarks and enclosures herewith, it is believed that the above-identified application is complete. Consequently, reconsideration and withdrawal of the Notice of Incomplete Reply is respectfully requested.

While it is believed that the entry of this paper does not require any fees, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

An early and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

Filing Date Granted

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 06/07/2002 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 01/28/2002 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The oath or declaration is unsigned.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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